Mountain Weather Forecast

Brecon Beacons National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 23 Dec 2020 until 23:59 on Thursday 24 Dec 2020

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 23 Dec 2020 at 02:08

Confidence: Medium for Wednesday due to uncertainty in northward extent of precipitation over the United Kingdom. High for settling down Thursday and for Christmas Day, but lower confidence for how quickly rain and cloud spreads from west on 25th.

Headline for Wednesday 23 Dec 2020: Murky and wet and becoming windy and colder later with rain turning to snow on the tops.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 23 Dec 2020

Blizzards Medium Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** Medium Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales Medium Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** High Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Fog	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Sleet	Heavy snow	Light snow
Precipitation probability					
60%	90%	80%	90%	>95%	90%

Forecast for Wednesday 23 Dec 2020

Weather: Cloudy with rain, mostly light and patchy overnight but heavy at times through Wednesday, with flooding in places, especially in more prolonged rain through daylight hours making for some difficult, or perhaps dangerous conditions. Windier and colder from dusk with rain turning to snow down to 600m and a significant chill on the tops with blizzard conditions at times.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 600m: Almost nil with extensive cloud down to low levels, though around 30% chance in south and west in evening as strong northeast winds lift clouds a little

Visibility: Moderate or poor, but very poor on the higher slopes for much of the time and almost nil in blizzard conditions.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	13/17 SE	14/20 SE	14/20 NE	22/31 NE	30/42 NE	30/42 N	29/41 N
300	8/18 S	6/12 E	10/19 NE	13/27 NE	18/37 NE	17/36 NE	17/35 N
Valley	6/16 SE	7/15 E	9/19 NE	11/26 NE	17/38 NE	16/36 N	16/34 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	7/3	7/3	6/2	4/-2	2/-6	2/-6	2/-6
300	8/6	7/6	7/4	6/2	4/-2	4/-2	4/-1
Valley	8/6	8/6	8/6	6/3	4/-0	4/-0	5/0
Freezing Level*	1600m	1700m	1700m	1400m	800m	800m	800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

A miserable day on the hills, with heavy rain and lots of low cloud and hill fog and turning colder and windier with snow falling above 600m, bringing a severe chill and blizzard conditions.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
03:00 on Wed 23 Dec 2020	6.6mm	33mm	44.2mm

Forecast for Thursday 24 Dec 2020

Weather: Cloud, rain and hill top snow clearing overnight, then mostly dry with bright or sunny spells, but a touch of frost in shelter in the morning and feeling very cold with a severe chill and the odd wintry shower is possible in far west

Maximum wind: Northerly 25 gust 35mph, but 35 gust 50mph over more exposed ridges and in any showers

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 600m: Little chance in early hours, but generally 90% through the day with little cloud on the hills, though chance lowering in or near any showers in west.

Visibility: Moderate or poor in early hours, but good or very good through the day, though falling in any showers

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 2, but Zero C in sheltered valleys, rising to plus 5 or 6 C, but falling to plus 2 C later
At 600m: Zero C falling to minus 3 C
Freezing level: 600m fallng to 400m

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